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Sir:

## REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Applicant now replies to the Office Action mailed September 21, 2009. Because the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office was closed on December 21, 2009, as a result of inclement weather, December 21, 2009, was a "Federal holiday within the District of Columbia" under 35 U.S.C. § 21 and this paper is timely filed up to December 22, 2009, under 37 CFR § 1.9(h).

Please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment section of this paper.